

A BILL

FOR AN ACT MAKING THE CERTIFICATE OF THE MAYOR OF A CITY OR INCORPORATED TOWN, OR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, WHO CERTIFIES TO ANY JUDGMENT ENTERED UPON THE BOOKS OR DOCKET BELONGING TO HIS OFFICE, WHEN FILED IN A COURT OF RECORD PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF SUCH JUDGMENT.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. The certificate of the mayor of a city or incorporated town, or justice of the peace, who shall certify to any judgment entered upon the books or docket belonging to his office, shall in the courts of this State be received as *prima facie* evidence of such judgment; shall become a lien upon the real estate of the judgment debtor not exempt from execution under the homestead law, from and after the filing of the same in the office of the clerk of a court of record within the county or counties wherein such real estate is situated; the clerk of the court of record wherein such certificates are filed shall, from and after filing the same, issue precepts and process in the same manner as if judgment had been obtained in a court of record, and, the officer who makes such certificate shall be entitled to fifty cents for each certificate. *Provided, however,* that such certificate shall state the names of the judgment creditor and debtor; the face amount of such judgment, the rate of interest thereon and the date thereof; the name of the officer by whom said judgment was rendered and the book and page where the same appears on record, together with the names of the assignors and assignees, of the assignments of such judgments, if any, appearing of record on said books, and it is hereby further provided that the certificate of any officer having a seal who shall certify to any judgment or assignment appearing of record in such office in the same manner and in addition thereto shall give the name of the officer having the custody of said books, shall be received as *prima facie* evidence of such judgment and assignment or either of the same.